# **United States District Court Eastern District of New York**

Notice Date: November 18, 2011

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### Federal Magistrate Judge Vacancy

There will soon be one (1) full-time United States Magistrate Judge position vacancy at the Brooklyn Courthouse of the Eastern District of New York located at 225 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, New York 11201. The duties of the position are demanding and wide-ranging, and will include: (1) conduct of preliminary proceedings in criminal cases; (2) trial and disposition of misdemeanor cases; (3) conduct of various pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on delegation from the judges of the district court; (4) trial and disposition of civil cases upon consent of the litigants; and (5) assignment of additional duties not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the United States.

The basic jurisdiction of a United States Magistrate Judge is specified in 28 U.S.C. Section 636. To be qualified for appointment, an applicant must: (a) be a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of a state, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the U.S. Virgin Islands for at least five (5) years; (b) have been engaged in active practice of law for a period of at least five (5) years (with some substitutions authorized); (c) be competent to perform all the duties of the office, of good moral character, emotionally stable and mature, committed to equal justice under the law, in good health, patient and courteous, and capable of deliberation and decisiveness; (d) be less than seventy (70) years old; and (e) not be related to a judge of the district court. An applicant should have federal court experience and be knowledgeable in federal civil and criminal practices and procedures. The U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York is an equal opportunity employer.

A Merit Selection Panel composed of attorneys and other residents of the district will review all applications and recommend in confidence to the judges of the district court the five (5) persons it considers best qualified. The Court will make the appointment following an FBI and IRS investigation of the appointee. The salary of the position is now \$160,060.00 per annum. The term of office is eight years.

Please note that the application form can be accessed on-line at www.nyed.uscourts.gov. Application forms may also be obtained from the Clerk of Court at 225 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, New York 11201, (718) 613-2270. Applications must be personally prepared by potential candidates and must be received **no later than January 13, 2012**. An email with a digital copy of the completed application attached must be sent to nyed-applications@nyed.uscourts.gov and sixteen (16) hard copies of the completed application must be mailed or delivered to the office of the Clerk of Court at the above address.

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Release Date: November 18, 2011

Chief Judge Carol B. Amon announced today that the Judges of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York have appointed a Merit Selection Panel to recommend to the Court for nomination individuals whose character, experience, ability, and commitment to equal justice under the law fully qualify them to serve as a United States Magistrate Judge.

### The Panel members are:

Robert L. Begleiter, Chairman Ernest T. Bartol Joan Wexler Henry Kennedy Steven Dean Richard C. Hamburger Margaret Krumholz Roseann B. MacKechnie Henry Putzel Manuel Quintana Diane Russo Joseph P. Ryan, Jr. Paul H. Schoeman Paul Siegfried, Esq. Jean L. Tom Carol L. Ziegler, Esq.

Within ninety (90) days from its appointment on November 17, 2011, the Panel must recommend to the Court the names of five (5) individuals who are qualified to serve as a United States Magistrate Judge.